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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

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1. The Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to offer comments on General Assembly resolution 46/19 of 25 November 1991, entitled "Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic".

2. The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland welcome the objectives of the resolution, which are to promote peace and cooperation in the South Atlantic. In this regard, they wish to draw the attention of the Secretary-General to positive developments in United Kingdom-Argentine relations which have contributed to the lessening of tension in the South-West Atlantic. In particular, they wish to emphasize the continuing progress in bilateral cooperation on fisheries that has contributed to conservation of stocks and the continued contribution of the confidence-strengthening measures, agreed at the Madrid talks in February 1990 and modified in September 1991 (A/46/596-S/23164 of 24 October 1991) in avoiding incidents in the military sphere in the South Atlantic.

3. The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland would also like to inform the Secretary-General that a high-level group, composed of officials from the Governments of the United Kingdom and Argentina, has been set up to explore the scope for cooperation on activities deriving from their respective legislative measures relating to the continental shelf in the South-West Atlantic.